## ■ Digital Reading Platform and Library Digital Reading Promotion Forum

Organizer: NCL, Taipei Book Fair Foundation

Date: February 19, 2016

Venue: Exhibition Hall 1, Taipei World Trade Center

## ■ The "Secrets for Library Management" Seminar

Organizer: Shih Hsin University Library

Date: March 4, 2016

Venue: Shih Hsin University Library

# ■ Library Watch Commons: Dialogue between Architects and Libraries" Training Session

Organizer: NCL, International Federation for

Information Integration
Date: March 18, 2016

Venue: NCL

### Workshop on Books Acquisition in Public Libraries and School Libraries

Organizer: NCL, National Library of Public Information, Hualien County Cultural Affairs Bureau, Kaohsiung Public Library

Date: March 21 (Taipei), March 25 (Taichung), March 30 (Hualien), March 31, 2016 (Kaohsiung) Venue: NCL (Taipei), NLPI (Taichung), Hualien Railway Culture Park (Hualien), Kaohsiung Public

Library (Kaohsiung)

# NCL International Exchange Events

#### 2016.01.18

Ewa Trojnar, Deputy Director of the Institute of Middle East & Far East Studies of Poland Jagiellonian University was invited to observe the Presidential and Legislative elections. She took the opportunity of this trip to visit the NCL to discuss bilateral cooperation programs and learn about its many resources.

#### 2016.01.21

Ambassador of Embassy of the Republic of Haiti, H.E. Rachel Coupaud, visited NCL Director General Tseng to discuss the 60th anniversary of diplomatic relations activities related matters.



Director General Tseng offers a souvenir to Ambassador Coupaud (left).

#### 2016.02.17

OSZK Director General László Tüske visited the NCL Rare Books Room. He specially offered to the NCL, book collections from the OSZK. Among them is the Hungarian-Chinese bilingual edition of "A Complete work of Chinese Science and Inventions." In return, Director General Tseng offered a Taiwan style souvenir. Director General Tüske was very impressed by NCL's ongoing exhibition of manuscripts collections and a wealth of rare books and digitized collections operations. He had direct exchanges with NCL staffs on rare books and documents preservation as well as other related topics.



Director General Tüske (left) offers Hungarian-Chinese bilingual books to Director General Tseng.

#### 2016.03.01

General Manager Quan Zhou of Guangdong Culture Communication Co., Ltd, together with 5 other publishing professionals from Guangdong, Mainland China, came to visit the NCL and learn about its resources and services.

#### 2016.03.23

University Library led a five-member delegation to visit the NCL's facilities, collection and the services offered to the public, the visiting foreign scholars.



Director General Tseng speaks with University Librarian Chu (left) and the delegation.

#### 2016.03.24

Professor Astrid Lipinsky, Department of East Asian Studies/Sinology of the University of Vienna, visited the NCL. Professor Lipinsky talked about the university's "Vienna Center For Taiwan Studies" and shared how the center promotes Taiwan studies in the university. In return, the NCL staff also exchanged their experiences of the promotion of China and Taiwan studies abroad.

#### 2016.03.25

Director Yaxiong Li, together with 9 other professionals of local history of Changzhou City, came to visit the NCL. They visited Rare Books Room and other service facilities. In particular, they also used the service of "Rare Books & Special Collections" electronic resources.

#### 2016.03.25

Korean delegation of librarians and authors led by Miss Choi Jin visited the NCL. In the meeting, both sides exchanged their experiences in reading promotion and compared the library services between Taiwan and Korea.

#### 2015.03.29

Deputy Head Yadmaa Garbaatar, the Ulaanbaatar Trade and Economic Representative Office in Taipei, Dr. Sampildondov Chuluun, Director of the Institute of History and Archaeology, Mongolian Academy of Sciences, Mr. Chultem Batsukh, Director of Technology Incubator, Mongolian Academy of Sciences, Dr. Borjigin Huhbator, Professor of Showa Women's University, Japan, and Mr. Jack Hsu, Program Host, Taipei Broadcasting Station, came to the NCL to discuss potential cooperation opportunities with Director General Tseng. They also expressed deep interest in NCL's special collections related to the Yuan Dynasty.



Director General Tseng (4th left) with the delegation led by Deputy Head Garbaatar (3rd left).

#### 2016.03.31

Deputy Director Tingqi Wang of Shandong Provincial Department of Culture (SPDC), Director Shanchang Wen of Foreign Cultural Exchange Division of SPDC, Deputy Director Yanliang Wang of General Office of SPDC, Mr. Zhangzhu Wei from Shandong Provincial Taiwan Affairs Office, Shandong Library Director Qingdong Feng and Shandong Art Museum Director Yanchun Liu came to visit the NCL. The delegation, besides visiting the Rare Books Room and facilities on each floor of the library, had a seminar to exchange and discuss on the preservation of rare books, the current situation of cultural and creative products, the promotion of rare book and special collections as well as experiences on organizing Chinese studies and various seminars. Hopefully, in the future, both libraries will continue to cooperate in areas related to the rare book union catalog and other fields of interest providing people around the world and researchers a wealth of resources.



Director General Tseng (5th left) with the delegation led by Deputy Director Wang (4th left) of Shandong Provincial Department of Culture.

## **Chinese Studies Symposium**

#### 2015.01.20

The CCS, as part of its Global Chinese Studies Lecture Series, invited visiting foreign scholar Professor Ester Bianchi from the Department of Philosophy at University of Perugia in Italy to speak on the "Significance of Jielü/ Vinaya within the Buddhist Revivals in Modern China." Vinaya is the regulations for monks in original Buddhism. It is the foundation of the Dharma. The work in circulation today, Vinaya-pitaka, is believed to be the original vinaya created by Sakyamuni Buddha. In the late 19th century and early 20th century, a gradual increase in Buddhism in the West brought about the interaction between and reform of many Buddhist sects. This also altered the view of Chinese Buddhism towards vinaya. Professor Bianchi believes that the contemporary revival in Chinese Buddhism is the same as the first half of the 20th century- the leaders of the monasteries revived the vinaya with the aim of creating authority. In this way, the monasteries will be respected by the lay believers, who are the key role in Buddhism.



Presenter: Professor Bianchi (left).

#### 2016.03.30

The CCS held 2016 First Term MOFA Taiwan Fellowship Scholars Research Presentation. Presentations in 2016 invited four visiting scholars from the Republic of Nicaragua, Japan, the United